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FDOT schedules bridge rehab work this summer

Jacksonville – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is kicking off three bridge rehabilitation projects this summer with work scheduled on the Dames Point, Hart and Ortega River bridges getting underway over the next several months.

Dames Point Bridge

The Dames Point rehabilitation project on I-295 East calls for work on the fender system, joints and shear lock mechanisms. Though some minor resurfacing will take place, the majority of the work will take place below the bridge.

Construction is expected to begin in August and finish in the summer of 2017. The \$4.5 million project will require single lane closures during daytime hours and multi-lane closures between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Hart Bridge

A \$4.3 million project to rehabilitate the Hart Bridge over the St. Johns River is scheduled to get underway in late July.

Work will consist of wire rope replacement, coating of structural steel, drainage work and steel plate rehabilitation. The work will require lane closures and detours during off-peak traffic hours. The contractor is expected to complete the work in the fall of 2017.

Ortega River Bridge

Work on the \$4.2 million contract to rehabilitate the Ortega River Bridge on Roosevelt Boulevard (U.S. 17) involves repairs to the bridge superstructure and replacement of an adjacent fishing pier.

The contractor is expected to complete the work in early 2018. Preliminary work started earlier this month.